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HOUSE BILL 735

**49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2009**

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AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREFIGHTERS; ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE FREE ANNUAL SCREENINGS FOR CERTAIN PATHOGENS FOR FIREFIGHTERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the Public Health Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] FREE BLOOD TESTS FOR FIREFIGHTERS--  
EXCEPTION.--

A. At no cost to a firefighter, the department shall provide an annual blood test to screen for the following pathogens:

- (1) human immunodeficiency virus;
- (2) hepatitis B; and
- (3) hepatitis C.

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